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Curtis E. Sherrer 1761 -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address THE REPLY FILED May 30, 2002 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid the abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. THE PERIOD FOR REPLY [check only a) or b)] a) The period for reply expires ___ ___ months from the mailing date of the final rejection. b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f). Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). A Notice of Appeal was filed on May 30, 2002 . Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. 2. X The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because: (a) \boxtimes they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below); (b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below); (c) $\overline{\mathbb{X}}$ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or (d) \square they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims. See comments below under paragraph 5. 3. 🗆 Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): 4. 🗆 Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s). The a) \square affidavit, b) \square exhibit, or c) \boxtimes request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the 5. X application in condition for allowance because: The propsed claims are broadened, and it would require a new search and possibly previous art would be applied against the proposed claims. Because said amendments are not being entered, the arguments are not considered. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised 6. 🗆 by the Examiner in the final rejection. 7. X For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) \boxtimes will not be entered or b) \square will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended. The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: Claim(s) allowed: None Claim(s) objected to: None Claim(s) rejected: 1, 2, and 7-29 Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: None 8. 🗆 The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is a) approved or b) disapproved by 9. 🗆 Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). 10. ☐ Other: **CURTIS E. SHERRER**

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